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Baseball Style Hat with Size Adjustment
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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-62 (cancelled)

Claim 63. (New) An adjustable hat for a person's head comprising:

a crown having top, front, back and temple portions and having an open bottom having a circumferential portion;

a visor/bill having two side edges affixed at the front of the crown ;

a pair of adjustment mechanisms each located generally at the temple portion of the crown adjacent each of the visor/bill side edges generally located between the ears and eyes of the person's head to alter the size of the circumferential portion of the crown; and

wherein the crown additionally has a pair of detachable parts located at the temple portion of the crown adjacent each of the visor side edges generally located between the ears and eyes of the person's head which generally hide the pair of adjustment mechanisms.

64. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 63 wherein each of the adjustment mechanism has a first part and a second part which adjustably connect with each other.

65. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 64 wherein the first part of each of the adjustment mechanisms is affixed within the detachable part of the crown.

66. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 65 wherein the second part of each of the adjustment mechanisms comprises an adjusting flap which is attachable and detachable to a desired circumferential crown size.

67. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 66 wherein the adjusting flap is attachable and detachable with magnets

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68. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 64 wherein the adjustment mechanism includes one or more of Velcro®, metal, elastic, magnets and adhesive straps or patches.

69. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 64 wherein the adjustment mechanism comprise a strap and buckle or hook, one being a male connector and the other being a female connector.

70. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 63 wherein the detachable parts of the crown comprise flap portions and the first parts of each of the adjustment mechanisms are embedded within the flaps and the second parts of each of the adjustment mechanisms are embedded within the temple portions of the crown generally adjacent the side edges of the visor/bill.

71. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 63 wherein each of the detachable parts comprises a flap portion and the first part of the adjustment mechanism is embedded within the flap and the second part of the adjustment mechanism is embedded within the temple portion of the crown.

72. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 71 wherein the flap portions are of any desired shape.

73. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 71 wherein the flap portions have logos affixed thereto.

74. (New) An adjustable hat comprising:

- a crown having an adjustable circumferential portion at its bottom and having front and back portions and two side portions;

- a visor attached to the front portion of the crown;

- a pair of two-part adjustment clasps to alter the size of the circumferential portion of the crown;

- a plurality of panels forming the crown,;

- wherein a pair of adjacent at each temple portion nearest the visor are totally or partially detachable from each other; and

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wherein one part of the adjustment clasp of each pair of adjustment clasps is embedded in one of the detachable pair of panels and the other part is embedded in the other detachable panel such that the adjustment clasps are substantially hidden.

75. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 74 wherein each of the two part adjustment clasps comprises a pair of plastic straps, one having male connector portions and the other female connector portions.

76. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 74 wherein each of the two part adjustment clasps comprises a pair of straps or patches including one or more of Velcro®, metal, elastic, magnetic and adhesive connectors.

77. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 74 wherein each of the two part adjustment straps comprise a strap and buckle or hook, one being a male connector and the other being a female connector.

78. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 74 wherein the detached pair of panels are attachable by means of an attachment strip or patch selected from a group comprising Velcro®, metal, plastic, textile, elastic, magnetic and adhesive.

79. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 74 wherein the crown has a sweatband around its interior circumference and each pair of the two-part adjustment clasps is secured within the sweat-band.

80. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 74 wherein the crown has a sweatband around its interior circumference and one part of the two-part adjustment clasps is secured within the sweat-band and the other part of the two-part adjustment clasps is secured within the visor zone.

81. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 74 wherein the detachable pair of panels are selectively attached with attachment devices selected from the group comprising Velcro®,

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plastic, textile, elastic, adhesive, magnetic and metal.

82. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 74 wherein the detachable panels have affixed a logo thereto.

83. (New) An adjustable hat comprising:

a crown having top, front, back and temple portions and having an open bottom having a circumferential portion;

a pair of adjustment mechanisms each located generally at the portion of the crown at a location generally between the ears and eyes of a wearer to alter the size of the circumferential portion of the crown and;

wherein the crown is provided with a pair of flaps which hide or partly hide the pair of adjustment mechanisms.

84. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 83 wherein each of the adjustment mechanisms has a first part and a second part which adjustably connect with each other.

85. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 84 wherein the first part of each of the adjustment mechanisms is affixed within a flap and the second part of the adjustment mechanism is embedded within the temple portion of the crown generally between the eyes and ears of the wearer.

86. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 85 wherein the first and second parts of each of the adjustment mechanisms comprise adjusting straps and/or patches which are attachable and eventually detachable with each other to a desired circumferential crown size.

87. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 85 wherein the adjustment straps or patches comprise plastic straps, one being a male connector and the other being a female connector.

88. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 85 wherein the adjustment straps are selected from

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the group comprising Velcro®, metal, elastic, magnetic and adhesive.

89. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 85 wherein each of the two part adjustment straps comprise a strap and buckle or hook, one being a male connector and the other being a female connector.

90. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 85 wherein the detachable parts of the crown comprise flap portions and the first parts of each of the adjustment mechanisms are embedded within the flaps and the second parts of each of the adjustment mechanisms are embedded within the temple portions of the crown between the ears and eyes of the wearer.

91. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 84 wherein each of the flaps has the configuration of a logo.

92. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 83 wherein each of the flaps has a logo affixed thereto.

93. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 85 wherein the second part of each of the adjustment mechanisms comprises a single strip extending across the front or back portion of the cap, and having a central portion embedded within the front or back portion of the hat.

94. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 85 wherein the second part of each of the adjustment mechanisms comprises a single strip extending across the front or back portion of the cap, and having a central portion embedded within the front or back portion of the hat.

95. (New) An adjustable hat as in Claim 84 wherein the second part of the adjustment clasp of each pair of adjustment clasps comprises a single strip extending across the front or back portion of the cap, and having a central portion embedded within the front or back portion of the hat.

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96. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 83, including a visor affixed to the crown.
97. (New) An adjustable hat comprising:
a crown having an adjustable circumferential portion at its bottom and having front and back portions and two side portions;
a visor attached to the front or rear portion of the crown;
a pair of adjustment clasps to alter the size of the circumferential portion of the crown;
a plurality of panels forming the crown;
flaps formed at the junction of the front and side portions near the visor to hide or partly hide the adjustment clasps;
wherein each of the pair of adjustable clasps comprises,
(a) a strap or patch attached at one end of the flap and having on its underside one part of a clasp chosen from a group comprising plastic, metal, magnetic, elastic, adhesive, and/or textile, and Velcro®; and
(b) a mating strap or patch on the crown near the visor selected from the group comprising plastic, metal, magnetic, elastic, adhesive, textile and/or Velcro®.
98. (New) An adjustable hat as in Claim 97 wherein the mating strap or patch is located on the crown above the visor.
99. (New) An adjustable hat as in Claim 97 wherein the mating strap or patch is located on the crown within the visor zone.
100. (New) An adjustable hat as in Claim 97 wherein the mating strap or patch is located on the side portion between the ears and eyes of the wearer.
101. (New) An adjustable hat as in Claim 97 wherein the mating strap or patch is secured to the exterior of the crown between the ears and eyes of the wearer.

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102. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 97 wherein the flaps have a shape of a logo or have a logo affixed thereto.

103. (New) An adjustable hat as in claim 74, comprising means for incorporating devices including one or more electronic, media, audio or optical devices.

104. (New) An adjustable hat as in Claim 103, wherein the devices may consist of one or more elements or combination thereof selected from a group including a radio, telephone, pager, speaker, microphone, phone, camera, television, PDA, board, game, pad, joystick, yoke, tablet, mouse, trackball, wheel, adapter, projector, headset, headphone, antenna, cable, viewfinder, screen, magnet, battery, cell, media storage, sensor, remote, computer, software, hardware, driver, processor, command, controller, reader, earplug, player or recording machine, film, card, cassette, disk, tape, lens, glass, watch, clock, alarm, chronometer, compass, connector, jack, plug, memory, cartridge, GPS device, switch, transmitter, receiver, tuner, pulse or blood pressure reader, pedometer, thermometer, altimeter, barometer, led, LCD display, flash and/or other accessory.

105. (New) An adjustable hat as in claim 74, comprising means for attaching, holding, including or incorporating any desired object or a combination of them from a group including a flagpole, stick, whistle, key, jewelry, makeup, lipstick, lighter, light, headlamp, lantern, first aid, mirror, cutter, card, container, case, stationery, pencil, tee, fishhook, net, money, tool, utensil, food, clothing, pacifier and/or other accessory.

106. (New) An adjustable hat as in claim 74, wherein at least one of each of the two part clasps is laurel shaped.

107. (New) An adjustable hat as in any of Claims 74, wherein at least one of each of the two part clasps is wing shaped.

108. (New) An adjustable hat as in claim 74, wherein the pair of adjustment clasps share one

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long strap instead of using two separate straps each.

109. (New) A traditional fitted or adjustable baseball or sporting type hat as in Claim 74 wherein the temple zone between the ears and eyes of the wearer comprises means for attaching, holding, including or incorporating electronic, media, audio or optical devices.

110. (New) A traditional fitted or adjustable baseball or sporting type hat as in Claim 74 wherein the front or visor zone comprises means for attaching, holding, including or incorporating electronic, media, audio or optical devices.

111. (New) An adjustable hat as in Claim 63 wherein the front or visor comprises means for incorporating devices including electronic, media, audio and/or optical devices.

112. (New) An adjustable hat comprising:

a crown having an adjustable circumferential portion at its bottom and having front and back portions and two side portions;

a visor, having side edges, attached to the front portion of the crown;

a pair of flaps each formed at the junction of the front and side portions near the side edges of the visor;

a pair of adjustment clasps to alter the size of the circumferential portion of the crown, wherein each of the pair of adjustable clasps is located with

(a) one part of the clasp located within the flap; and

(b) the mating clasp on the crown; and

wherein the pair of flaps hides or partially hides the pair of adjustment clasps.

113. (New) The adjustable hat of claim 112 wherein the adjustable clasps are Velcro®.

114. (New) The adjustable hat of claim 112 wherein the adjustable clasps are magnets.

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115. (New) The adjustable hat as in claim 113 wherein the part of each of the clasps mounted on the flap is mounted on the underside of the flap.

116. (New) The adjustable hat of claim 113 wherein a plurality of panels form the crown, and wherein the flap is attached between adjacent panels nearest the edge of the visor.

117. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 116 wherein the flaps are of any desired shape.

118. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 113 wherein the flaps are of any desired shape.

119. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 118 wherein the geometry of the flap comprises a logo.

120. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 113 wherein the geometry of the flap comprises a logo.

121. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 113 wherein a logo is affixed to the outside of the flap.

122. (New) The adjustable hat of Claim 118 wherein a logo is affixed to the outside of the flap.